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In response to the office action mailed October, 19, 2006, please enter this amendment and reconsider this application in view of the remarks provided below.

### **ELECTION/RESTRICTION**

The Examiner issued a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-36, drawn to a monofilament suture, classified in class 606, subclass 230.

Group II: Claims 37-38, drawn to a process for preparing a monofilament suture, classified in class 264, subclass 172.13.

The Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group I comprising claims 1-36, classified in class 606, subclass 230.